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WEST CLIFF THEATRE, RAMSGATE

Wednesday, April 7th
7.30 p.m.—12.30 a.m.
THE MILITARY BALL OF THE YEAR

ANNUAL BATTALION BALL

in aid of the Battalion's Sports Fund.
Arranged by Officers, N.C.Os and Cadets of the 4 (Thanet) Cadet Battalion, The Buffs
LICENSED BAR UNTIL 12.30 a.m.

Tickets 3/- from Odeon Theatre, West Cliff Theatre, and from Officers and Cadets of the Battalion, on sale now.

IN THE THICK OF BATTLE

THANET MAN'S GRAPHIC STORY

GERMAN WHO GAVE HIMSELF UP

"It isn't exactly what you would call a picnic."

The distinguished part that The Buffs played in the great advance against Rommel's forces is summed up in those words by Pte. Jack Shakeshaft, elder son of Mr. H. D. Shakeshaft, formerly of Flint Cottage, Nelson-place, Broadstairs, who is temporarily living at Egham, Surrey.

Pte. Shakeshaft, an old boy of Margate Central School, is 26 years old and before joining The Buffs in May, 1940, was employed by an insurance company. Prior to that he worked for Mr Martin Siminson, estate agent, of Ramsgate. In 1939 he married Miss Barbara Webster, of Cambridge, and at the same time his sister Peggy was married to Mr. Arthur Bain, of Southampton, who is now serving in the R.E.M.E. Pte. Shakeshaft's father, well-known in the district as an insurance agent, was formerly secretary of the Comrades' Club, Broadstairs.

Writing home in September from the Middle East, where he has been for nearly a year, Jack speaks of his experiences as "hectic and not too pleasant."

"As you have no doubt seen in the papers," he continues, "Jerry had a go and attacked us in three places about a fortnight ago. We caught one of these and, believe me, it was as though the end of the world was coming. First of all we were shelled for three hours continuously, but the attack failed. It was a blessing when the light came, I can tell you. Last week we had a go but what we went through on the other affair was a 'flea-bite' compared with this one and it shook us all up a lot.

Seemed a Lifetime.

"Our object was a ridge which Jerry was holding, and we were attacking it for 48 hours, which seemed a lifetime to me. During that time we had no food, very little

Pte. Jack Shakeshaft.

water and, of course, no chance of a wash. It was a particularly difficult job as he was firing down on us all the time and, being in the desert, we had no cover whatsoever except the holes we could scoop out of the sand and rock while crouching down full length.

"Machine-guns, mortars and anti-tank guns were all belching at us so you can imagine what it was like. It was one of the greatest reliefs when we went back from the battle area to have a brief rest to reform, although I am sorry to say several of my mates were left behind. I was lucky and only had a bit of shrapnel in my knee, which is healing up O.K.

"We had about a week resting, in which time we had a bathe in the sea and this was a real luxury after going nearly a month without a decent wash, water being so scarce up at the front.

"Well, to cut a long story short, we are back again with the old shells whistling about us in another sector of the line. The scenery is much about the same anywhere out here, although at the moment there is a ridge about two or three miles away which Jerry is holding. It seems a funny old war to us as the front runs round three sides of us with a distance varying from two to six miles between us and the enemy. In front of us there is a minefield and beyond that 'no man's land,' which is patrolled by us at night-time.

Swatting Flies.

"In the day-time we lie 'doggo' in our slit trenches as the slightest movement brings a salvo of shells. Thus we have to have breakfast before it is light and dinner when it gets dark. The meals are brought up on trucks. The rest of the time during the day is spent swatting flies.

By the way, our slit trenches are dug in solid rock by compressors and then blown out by charges. They are about 2½ft. wide, 4ft. deep and 6ft. long—one per man—and are, on the whole, pretty safe, unless you get a direct hit.

"Pests that we get regularly every day are the dive-bombers, but we all have a pot at these and they get a very hot reception."

According to another letter posted by Pte. Shakeshaft in October, The Buffs were still having "a very hot time of it."

"So far," he says, "we have been in actual action three times and, believe me, it seems to get worse every time. We came out from an attack yesterday and I had one or two narrow shaves in it. I thought my 'lot' had come when our company was shelled rather heavily and I scooped a small groove in the sand and rock with my steel helmet in a damned hurry (as you can guess). Then eight shells came over within a few feet of me and they were all duds! Did I breathe a sigh of relief?

Had Had Enough.

"We had been 'Stuka'd' continuously all the afternoon and, you bet, I felt a bit rough after this. I had a rather hair-raising and yet funny experience one night when I was on a 'recce' patrol. About 12 of us went to find out what we could about Jerry and after creeping as noiselessly as we could for about two miles—we only wore slippers, cardigans, shorts and cap comforters, and carried Tommy guns—we came across about 100 Jerries digging trenches as hard as they could go. They were kicking up a hell of a row talking and singing and the noise of their shovels on the rocky parts was enough to cover any noise we made.

"For over an hour we lay watching them, seeing what they were up to, and after noting their positions made our way back in single file. I happened to be the last man and when we had got about half-way back I heard a sound behind me. You can imagine how I felt when I turned round and saw a Jerry—I could see his helmet quite plainly in the moonlight about ten yards away, coming towards me. As I turned he put his hands up and whispered 'Kamerad.' I was so surprised that I just stood there, although I automatically covered him and we took him with us. From what we could gather from him he had had enough of the war and wanted a rest.

"Plain Murder."

"I have been out on several of these patrols and it is a bit nerve-wracking as we never know what we will meet and there is absolutely nothing to hide behind for cover or shelter from shells, mortars, etc., except what you can scrape hurriedly in the sand. These attacks are usually just plain murder if you get in a hot spot. Machine-guns and rifles aren't too bad at night as you can see the tracers coming and can dodge down, but shells and mortars aren't so good and do damage.

"Leave has started and five men are going from each company every week—four days leave and two days each way travelling—and I am due to go in about four weeks time. At least it is something to look forward to. Some go to Cairo and some to Alexandria, although the latter is most popular as it is on the coast and is not so hot owing to the sea breezes.

"It is about seven weeks since we came up to the front and during that time we haven't seen any civilisation of any kind—just plain desert, and that alone is enough to drive anybody 'nuts' after a time, not counting the fighting."

AS YOU WERE

MARGATE RATE RECOMMENDATION

At a special meeting being held this afternoon Margate Town Council will be asked to confirm a recommendation of the Finance Committee that the general rate for the coming year should be 13s. 9d. in the £—the same as the rate for the current year.

It will also be recommended that the standard charge for the supply of water for domestic purposes should be at the rate of 1s. 9 3/5d. in the £ upon the gross value of the premises supplied.

EARLIER TO BED

MAGISTRATES CUT DANCE HOURS

Following the hint given previously, Ramsgate magistrates on Monday refused to grant dance extensions at the West Cliff Theatre after midnight.

Mr. R. J. Costerton, Corporation Entertainments Manager, made application for extensions until 12.30 in respect of dances to be held on 15th April in aid of the Forces Canteen and on 26th April for an Easter Monday dance. There was a further application for an extension until midnight on Easter Saturday.

Mr. W. G. Love applied for an occasional license to supply intoxicating liquor from 7.30 p.m. until midnight for the former dances and from 7.30 p.m. until 11.30 p.m. in respect of the Saturday dance.

Making the application, Mr. Costerton said that in deference to the magistrates' remarks at a previous sitting the applications were made for extensions until 12.30 a.m. instead of 1 a.m. as formerly.

The Magistrates' Clerk (Mr. E. A. Knight) said the magistrates had never granted extensions beyond 11.45 p.m. on Saturdays.

Mr. Costerton said dancing would not go on beyond 11.30 p.m.

Mr. Knight: Then why make application for an extension until 12 o'clock?

Mr. Costerton: It would give us half an hour in which to get the people away.

C/I Butcher said the police had no objection to the applications.

The Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) announced that in respect of 15th and 26th April extensions would be granted to midnight, with liquor until 11.30, and in respect of the Saturday the extension would be until 11.30, with liquor until 11 p.m.

HUSBAND SENT TO PRISON

WIFE AND CHILDREN ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Sentence of two months' imprisonment was passed by Margate magistrates on Monday on Henry Christopher West, of Slough, and formerly of Margate, who was summoned for being in arrears to the extent of £42 14s. under a maintenance order.

The Court Collector (Mr. G. Camfield) said the order was made on 27th May, 1942, for the payment of £1 10s. a week in respect of defendant's wife and three children. He made two payments of £1 10s. each in June, and then nothing until October, when he paid £8 4s. 6d. on a warrant which had been issued for his arrest. Later another warrant was issued as he was in arrears, but defendant was not found until January, and when he appeared in court he offered to pay £3 a week from his earnings. The magistrates, however, thought that was too much, and ordered him to pay £2, representing the amount of the order and 10s. off the arrears. He was remanded on bail until 3rd March, but did not appear, although witness sent him a reminder. A further warrant was therefore issued. Following the remand in January, defendant paid £2 on 19th January and £2 on 8th February. He now owed over £50.

A Bad Scholar.

Asked why he did not appear on 3rd March, defendant said he was ill in bed with influenza. He explained that he could not inform the court because he was a very bad scholar, and although he could write he could not spell. Being in lodgings he could not ask anyone to write for him. Owing to his illness, he said, he could now do only light work, and was sweeping floors at a factory instead of working on the machines.

In reply to further questions, defendant said he had worked for only three weeks and four days since he was before the court in January. He had just started work again when he was arrested, and was now earning £3 16s. 5d. after the deduction of insurances. He was laid up for five weeks with influenza and an abscess on the neck.

"I would willingly have carried out my obligations had I been at work," he said. "If I had not been arrested I would have sent some money on Friday."

The Court Collector said defendant's wife had been living on public assistance. She had received only £15 from her husband since the order was made.

Announcing the decision of the bench, the Chairman (Mr. W. Booth Reeve) said "You seem to have made so little effort to pay the money to your wife or to assist the court in this matter that we have decided to send you to prison for two months."

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The Competition will be in three Sections and prizes in National Savings Certificates will be awarded in each Section

Section 1 ... restricted to children under 16
Section 2 ... open to all others resident in Ramsgate who are not members of H.M Forces
Section 3 ... open to all members of H.M. Forces
Section 4 ... open class for Models made other than from designs supplied by the Wings for Victory Week Committee

Models entered in Sections 1, 2 and 3 must be made from designs which wil be supplied by Ramsgate Wings for Victory Week Committee and these, together with full details of the Competition and entry forms, may be obtained at the Ramsgate Savings Centre, King Street, which is open daily between the hours of 10.30 a.m. and 12 and 2.30 and 4 p.m.

Winning exhibits will be entered in an all-Thanet competition and will be exhibited at Margate and Broadstairs Wings for Victory Week Exhibitions

TRANSFER of BUSINESS

Mr. A. Baker

Begs to announce that owing to ill-health he has had to dispose of his old-established business at 24 Grange Road, Ramsgate, which has been taken over by the Faversham and Thanet Co-operative Society Ltd.

He sincerely thanks all his patrons who have so generously supported him, and hopes they will continue to do the same to his successors, whom he is sure will justify their confidence.

While the Ministry of Food Regulations allow customers to change their registrations within fourteen days of the undermentioned date should they so desire, we would assure every registered customer of Mr. A. Baker, of 24 Grange Road, Ramsgate, of our earnest endeavours in continuing the well merited service they have enjoyed in the past. The existing staff are being retained, thereby ensuring the same policy being maintained in the future.

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Ramsgate gave generously to the "Aid to Malta" Fund on Saturday, when the sale of flags realised a fine total of £103 18s. 9d.

Mrs. Gummer, of the W.V.S., was particularly energetic and a sum of £14 5s. 5d. was counted from her tins.

Other collectors to whom the Mayoress (Mrs. Kempe) and the Mayor's secretary (Mrs. Peete), who jointly organised the effort, offer their thanks, are as follows:—

Miss Lednor, £7 8s. 4d.; Mrs. Todd, £6 6s. 8d.; Mrs. Solly, £5 6s. 7d.; Mrs. Baker, £4 16s. 2½d.; Miss LeGallais, £4 6s. 5d.; Mrs. Hall, £4 6s. 7½d.; Nurse Upton, £3 9s.; Mrs. Blinko, £3 4s. 0½d.; St. Lawrence Fire Station, £1 5s. 6d.; Northwood Fire Station, £1 14s. 8d.; Nurse Fiddyment, £1 2s. 9d.; Nurse Meek, £1 13s. 0½d.; Nurse Burdon, £1 3s. 2½d.; Wardens' Posts—A2, £1 6s. 1½d.; A3, £2 0s. 5d.; A4, £1 3s. 9½d.; C9, £1 3s. 2½d.; D13, £2 6s. 8½d.; E16, £1 0s. 5½d.; C8, £1 8s. 2d.; B7, 7s. 9½d.; B17, 3s. 9d.; Mrs. Baker, £1 18s. 5½d.; Miss Fenn, £1 15s. 2d.; Nurse Howells, £2 6s.; Mrs. Cohen, £2 13s. 7d.; Miss Robinson, £2 3s. 5½d.; Miss Howell, £1 15s. 10d.; Miss Howell, £1 14s. 6½d.; Miss Tappenden, £1 8s. 6d.; Miss Arrowsmith, £2 2s. 5d.; Mrs. Hawkins, £1 7s. 1½d.; Miss Thomson, £1 3s. 6½d.; Mrs. C. Todd, £1 8s. 10d.; Mrs. Adams, £1 2s. 3½d.; Mrs. Young, £2 9s. 6d.; Effingham-street Fire Station, 4s. 8d.; Nurse Shorey, 19s. 5d.; Nurse Friend, 4s. 8d.; Nurse Stanley, 12s. 9d.; Nurse Byers, 10s. 1½d.; Nurse Solomons, 10s. 9d.; Miss Moys, 9s. 9d.; Miss Clutterbuck, 13s. 6½d.; A and B Garage, 3s. 2d.; Mrs. Lock, 16s.; Miss Siminson, 16s. 1d.; Miss Mettam, 12s. 7½d.; Miss Wynter, 13s.

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AIR RAID WARNINGS

ALTERATION OF SIGNALS

On and after 1st April, 1943, the following air raid warnings will be in operation. The change has been made in order that the same local alert signal may be sounded in all towns in the area, i.e., a series of intermittent straight notes or pips.

The operation of the warnings will be as follows:

1. **The General Air Raid Warning** (the wailing note) will continue to operate. This warning covers an extensive area and may or may not indicate that enemy aircraft are near the town.
2. **The Local Alert** (a series of intermittent straight notes or pips) will be sounded when it is known definitely that enemy aircraft are near the town.
3. **The Release of the Local Alert** (the cuckoo note) will be sounded when enemy aircraft have left the immediate vicinity of the town.
4. **The Raiders Passed Signal** (one continuous note) will be sounded when the enemy aircraft have left the larger area.

H. G. CURTIS
Town Clerk.

Municipal Offices,
17th March, 1943.

BLACK-OUT TIMES

To-day	...	7.46 p.m.—6.26 a.m.
Wednesday	.	7.48 p.m.—6.23 a.m.
Thursday	...	7.50 p.m.—6.21 a.m.
Friday	...	7.51 p.m.—6.19 a.m.
Saturday	...	7.52 p.m.—6.16 a.m.
Sunday	...	7.54 p.m.—6.14 a.m.
Monday	...	7.56 p.m.—6.12 a.m.

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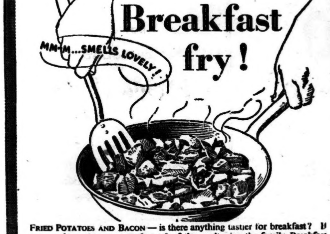
WESTGATE MAN MISSING

Ldg. Smn. Victor John Love, R.N., only son of Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Love, of 65 Victoria-avenue, Westgate, is among those missing from the destroyer H.M.S. Lightning, the loss of which was announced by the Admiralty on Sunday.

Twenty-six years of age, Ldg. Smn. Love attended St. John's School, Margate. He joined the Navy eight years ago and had seen service in many parts of the world. He had helped to escort several convoys to Malta and assisted in the occupation of Madagascar.

"Now that we have the power and the means to co-operate the three Services can best be likened to the pennies in a threepenny-bit for their interdependence. Our only rivalry is to serve God, King and you more thoroughly."—Rear-Admiral Denis Boyd, Fifth Sea Lord.

POTATO PLAN, *Part 1—Serve potatoes for breakfast 3 days a week.*



Breakfast fry !

FRIED POTATOES AND BACON — is there anything tastier for breakfast? If your rashers are scarce at the end of the week, give the family Breakfast Fry. You need just one rasher of bacon. Cut it into small pieces and fry till crisp. Add a little fat, and heat. Then add plenty of sliced boiled potatoes and fry to a golden brown. (Always try to have cooked potatoes left from the day before.) A breakfast the menfolk will simple wolf down!

THE 4 OTHER PARTS OF THE PLAN

2 Make your main dish a potato dish one day a week.

3 Have more potatoes instead of second helpings of other food.

4 Serve potatoes in other ways than "plain boiled".

5 Use potatoes to replace flour—part potatoes, part flour.

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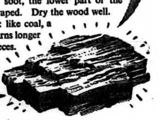
If you burn wood, chimneys should be swept twice a year. Because the deposit from wood is more tenacious than soot, the lower part of the chimney should be scraped. Dry the wood well. Don't split your logs: like coal, a large piece of wood burns longer than several small pieces. Keep your fires small.



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THIS WEEK'S COMPLETE STORY

NUMBER TWO ACCOUNT

By

Michael Poole

Mr. Brent was irritated. As if he had not enough to worry about, this was one of **those** mornings. Last night he and his wife had celebrated, simply, at the pictures, the twenty-first anniversary of their wedding. He hadn't much felt like celebrating. Twenty-one years ! The thought made him realise that he had just got nowhere.

His wife's pained but quite gentle reproof about the frayed tie he had put on suddenly roused him.

"Oh, curse the tie!" he exclaimed, and then, apologetically: "All right, I'll go and change it."

She protested that he would miss his train if he didn't hurry. Purposely and with an effort of will he did not hurry—and missed the train. When he entered the office it was twenty-five minutes past nine.

Just to pile on the agony of his late arrival, Mr. Huxton, junior partner and head of accounts department, was standing by the senior clerk's desk. Possibly it was the look on the faces of both Mr. Huxton and Appleton as they stared at the late-comer which annoyed him. Twenty years and more he had been with the firm. Why should he feel as scared as a guilty schoolboy just because he was late for once ?

He banged his umbrella noisily into the tin tray at the foot of the hat-stand. It was meant to be a challenge to Mr. Huxton. Sooner or later Mr. Huxton was going to sack Thomas Brent. Why, Brent didn't know, but ever since Huxton had joined the firm as junior partner, due chiefly to the fact that he had married Mr. Raby's eldest daughter, he had had his knife into Brent. Possibly it was because Mr. Raby, senior partner, had always shown a personal interest in Brent that Huxton disliked him.

But Mr. Raby rarely came to the office these days. He was absorbed in public work.

"What time do you suppose you are due at the office, Brent ?" Mr. Huxton's voice seemed to stab the hush that followed Brent's rather noisy entry.

"Nine o'clock, sir !" Brent answered with unnecessary chirpiness. "But not this morning ! An exception which proves the rule !"

Huxton's normally ruddy face went a purplish red for a moment, and then he snapped back: "All right ! I'd like to see you in my office—now, Brent !"

"I'll come at once, sir !" Brent said cheerfully, and the four or five other clerks in the accounts department wondered what had bitten the man this morning.

When Brent entered Mr. Huxton's private office the junior partner was already in his chair.

"And why did you miss your train this morning, Brent ?" he began, and fixed the clerk with his eye.

"Why does one miss trains, sir ? My record is good enough to stand a very occasional lapse, I hope ?"

"No, it's not !" Huxton said, and banged the desk with his fist. "And it doesn't excuse your impertinence, either ! I've been thoroughly dissatisfied with your work lately. You're slack—slack in everything you handle, and there isn't room for slackness here, especially at the present time. This morning settles the matter so far as I am concerned. You leave at the end of the week. You understand ? You're finished."

He put his lips together, stuck out his jaw, and glared at Brent, then waved a hand to dismiss him. Brent leaned back against the glass partition and stared back, but on his lips was a little smile. Without taking his eyes off Huxton he took out a packet of cigarettes, extracted one, and with a flick of his lighter set it going.

"What on earth do you mean standing there and—and smoking in my office ? Get out ! You understand ? You can leave to-day ! I'll arrange with the cashier to pay you in lieu of notice. Now—get out !"

Brent did not stir, except for the slightest movement of his hand as he removed the cigarette and blew a cloud of smoke into the air. Inwardly his heart was thumping violently, but he still kept his eyes on Huxton.

"D'you hear what I say ?" Huxton jumped up, really angry now. "Are you going—or shall I call someone to throw you out ?"

"I shouldn't do that, Mr. Huxton," Brent said. "I don't think Mr. Raby would approve—and he's still the head of this firm."

A Weakness.

"What do you mean ?" Huxton demanded, but the sudden flush on his face cheered Brent. He had found one weakness anyway, and he must play on that.

"Just what I say. I don't think Mr. Raby would approve."

He said it with unnecessary deliberation, and if Huxton had bundled him out there and then it would not have surprised Brent. But Huxton didn't. He blinked as he looked at Brent, and his tongue came out to moisten his lips. Brent's artificial smile became more pronounced and more confident.

"And what do you reckon you're going to tell Mr. Raby ?" Huxton asked suddenly and with a note of threat in his voice. "Trying a little blackmail business on me, are you ? Well—all right; we'll have it out here and now. I had an idea some time ago that you were poking your nose into matters that didn't concern you. Very clever fellow, aren't you ? Raby's little pet. Right ! Now then ! Out with it ! What are you going to tell Raby ?"

"I don't know," Brent said. "But you know what I might tell him. Don't you think you'd better sit down and consider the matter quietly before you annoy me ? Think it over !"

He sauntered out, half expecting Huxton to call him back. But his last glimpse as he closed the door was of Huxton's face, angry, puzzled, baffled, and yet with some hint of fear about the eyes which followed Brent out of the room.

Brent was smiling as he went to his own desk, still smoking his cigarette. He never attempted to work that morning and it was useless for other clerks to make an attempt to draw him. At half-past twelve he wrote out a memorandum to the bank: "Please give bearer pass-book slips for No. 2 account to date," and signed it "J. A. Huxton pp. T.B." No. 2 account was the private one, and the pass-book was kept by Mr. Huxton in a locked drawer. When he called at the bank they gave him an envelope, carefully sealed, addressed to Mr. Huxton.

Back at the office, Brent opened the envelope. And when, somewhere about half-past four, Huxton sent for him, he pushed the envelope into his pocket.

"I'm going out now," Huxton said, scarcely looking up at Brent. "I've an appointment, but I'll be back here at 6.30. The others will have gone then, and we'll have this matter out."

"Good ! I'll wait," Brent said, and took the envelope from his pocket. "As we're going into it thoroughly I took the liberty of bringing myself right up to date. Those are the No. 2 account pass-book sheets. I don't think Mr. Raby would approve. But you'd better have them now."

Huxton's face was a study. For a moment or two it was distorted with fury and his lips opened two or three times in the manner of a fish out of water. Then he managed to get control.

"You foul spy !" he jerked out, and then, pulling himself together: "All right ! We'll have this out—to-night !"

At 6.30 Brent sat alone in the office. There was no smile on his face now and one hand pressed against his head. It was seven o'clock before Huxton came in, accompanied by a stranger.

A Legal Visitor.

"Come in, Brent. This is Mr. Keynes."

"How d'you do." Brent raised a smile as he greeted Keynes. "I don't think we've met before, but I've seen your name, Mr. Keynes."

He had seen it for the first time to-day—on two cheques which had been paid out of No. 2 account to Mr. Keynes' credit.

"I'm a legal man, Mr. Brent," Keynes said. Brent noted the unusual description, and suspected him. "You're playing a very dangerous game, you know," Keynes began. "However, Mr. Huxton doesn't want any scandal, so let's come to the point. You're threatening to tell the senior partner in this firm certain facts which you think may injure Mr. Huxton. Well, what do you expect to get out of it ?"

"I'm not threatening anybody, Mr. Keynes. Although you may not believe it, I am solely concerned with the interests of the firm. I shall not be put off with threats."

"No ?" Keynes stood up and the next moment Huxton had jumped to his feet. In his hand he held a clumsy-looking revolver. "Stick your hands right up, Brent ! Right up, I say ! Now we'll talk to you !"

It was Keynes who did the talking, however. He explained very calmly just what they proposed to do. By the time they had finished with the clever Mr. Brent it would be a clear case of suicide and there would be evidence that Mr. Huxton, after repeated complaints, had discharged Brent to-day. There would also be evidence that Brent had forced a drawer in Mr. Huxton's desk in order to get the weapon. The only finger-prints on the revolver would be those of Brent.

"I guessed Huxton might try some trick of this sort," Brent replied, so I wrote—a full statement—to be opened in case of any accident like this. So—what ?"

"Oh, my lord !" Keynes gasped. "All right ! Put your hands down. Wait here !"

Motioning Huxton to follow, Keynes left the room. Brent waited. Half an hour passed. He strolled out into the outer office. There was no one there, not a soul in the place.

"Huh," he muttered. "If they want me they can do a bit of waiting themselves."

Casually taking his umbrella from the stand and with his coat over one arm and his hat on at a jaunty angle, he strolled out. It was late when he got home, but not late enough for his wife to ask questions that he could not evade. No use bothering her with a story that would only sound dangerous and stupid. Better find out what would happen next.

Mr. Huxton was not at the office in the morning. He did not turn up all day or the next or the next. And then Mr. Raby arrived, to be followed shortly afterwards by a police inspector.

None of the staff ever found out quite how it happened, but one morning the chief cashier and one of the clerks witnessed signatures of an agreement to which Mr. Brent was "party of the second part." Substantial annual increases, pension on retirement and all the rest—old Brent deserved as much after all his work—twenty years of it. Still, it was odd, rather—Brent had seemed so out of favour lately.

Brent thought it was wonderful. It had, of course, come out that he had sent for the statement of No. 2 account and had in some way frightened Huxton. Mr. Raby was very discreet about what Huxton had done, but apparently it had been plenty. There was a warrant out for his arrest.

But sometimes Brent still wishes he knew the answer to one question: what **was** the secret of Mr. Huxton's wangle of No. 2 account ?

The End

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NON-STOP RAIDS BY R.A.F.

U.S. AIR FORCE HELPS TO KEEP NAZI SIRENS WAILING

By an Air Correspondent

Just how continuous are the air operations from the British Isles against the enemy in Europe and on the seas around it, is not often realised. Even in the not always ideal weather of the European winter months, with low clouds and fog, aircraft of the R.A.F. have been constantly on the offensive. Aided by the fighters and bombers of the U.S. Army Eighth Air Force, the pressure is being steadily increased as better weather arrives.

This continuous air offensive is well illustrated by an analysis of the operations for the last two weeks of February—a period of indifferent weather. The five home-based operational commands of the R.A.F. were all in action. Let us take each in turn.

During the last two weeks of February Bomber Commands operated on all 14 days and on 12 nights. The wide extent of Bomber Command's daylight operations are not perhaps generally known. Mosquitoes, Bostons, Venturas and Wellingtons were among the R.A.F's daylight raiders. The docks at Dunkirk were hit repeatedly, naval stores at Rennes were destroyed by Mosquitoes—a raid followed up later by heavy bombers. Each day Bomber Commands detached aircraft to fly anti-submarine patrols with Coastal Command.

Thousand Tons.

At night, Germany was attacked on 10 out of the 14 possible occasions. A thousand tons of bombs were dropped on St. Nazaire in one raid on 28th February. Several hundred mines were laid in enemy coastal waters and estuaries where U-boats are wont to linger and 60 per cent. of the night sorties were directed against U-boat bases, including the blowing up of the Mariensiel explosives depot at Wilhelmshaven.

Nor was Fighter Command idle. It operated on 14 days and on seven nights out of the 14. On one day a total of 750 sorties were flown. Every day Spitfires of Fighter Command were out on shipping protection patrols convoying the ships on their last miles into port. Seven nights were occupied with the same task. On the other hand Fighter Command flew patrols against enemy shipping on four days and two nights, making several attacks at low level. On four nights and on three days Fighter Command attacked trains in enemy-occupied territory. During this time also they shot down 29 enemy aircraft.

Army Co-operation Command made its first large-scale bombing raid on the night of 19th February, when it attacked the electrical transformer stations in the Loire district of France. Mustang fighters of the command flew shipping and reconnaissance patrols on 11 days.

Constant Patrols.

Finally, Coastal Command, whose duties are the most monotonous but the most arduous of the lot, maintained continuous night and day anti-submarine and reconnaissance patrols far out into the Atlantic and over all British waters.

During this period of 14 days in which thousands of offensive sorties were flown by the five operational R.A.F. commands, the Luftwaffe flew less than 50 sorties against Great Britain. German bombs were dropped on five out of the 14 days and on three of the nights, and nine enemy aircraft were destroyed.

It suggests that the enemy is so extended in meeting all his commitments in Russia, North Africa and in the occupied countries that he has little strength left over for marauding operations at present. But that is not to say that the defences will not prove hard nuts to crack when the time for the invasion of the Continent does arrive. He is clearly husbanding his strength.

For that reason and because local command of the air is essential for the success of all military operations the United Nations must build up the most powerful air striking force possible in the "aircraft carrier" of Great Britain.

WEST—JEFFERIES

NAVAL WEDDING AT RAMSGATE

P/O William Harry West, R.N., son of Mrs. West, of Windsor and late of 24 Hereson-road, Ramsgate, who has returned to this country after two years at sea, was married at Christ Church, Ramsgate, on Saturday.

The bride was Miss Pearl Jefferies, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Jefferies, of 91 Crescent-road, Ramsgate.

P/O West has been in the senior service four and a half years and his brother, L/Cpl. Ronald West, who was best man, has served for three years in the Royal Marines. The bridegroom is an old boy of Hereson and St. George's Central Schools.

The bride was given away by her father and wore a dress of white satin, with veil and coronet of orange blossom, and silver shoes. Her bouquet was of pink carnations.

She had four attendants—Mrs. Ronald West (matron of honour), Miss Hilda Cullens, Miss Gladys Adams and little Ann West. Mrs. West and Ann were attired in pink satin and carried bouquets of carnations, while the other two bridesmaids wore dresses of mauve satin and carried daffodils.

The service, which was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. P. M. Townend), was followed by a reception at St. George's Parish Hall and the happy couple are spending their honeymoon at Exeter, the bride travelling in a tweed mixture costume.

ODEON TALENT CONTEST

The second of the new series of services' talent contests at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, on Friday, was won by L/Cpl. Doris Buckley, a member of the A.T.S., whose home is at Macclesfield.

Singing "Because" to the piano accompaniment of Miss Pamela Duckett, she was popularly acclaimed winner by a packed house. The second and third prizes went to two other singers, Gnr. John Heaney and Pte. Jim Johnson, and the other competitors were Bdr. Deane, R.A., Pte. Alice Wright, A.T.S., and Gnr. Raymond Roles, R.A.

A guest artiste, Bill Austin, who is making quite a name for himself locally, gave some excellent impersonations of famous film stars.

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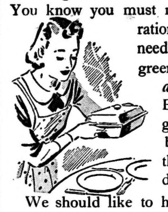

We should like to help you—so here are some suggestions for the main meal of the day.

DINNER DISHES —for two weeks

First Week

Sunday: Stuffed breast of mutton, potatoes and cabbage.
Monday: Cheese and lentil cutlets, jacket potatoes, carrots, watercress.
Tuesday: Cornish pasties with potato pastry, mashed potatoes, swedes sprinkled with coarsely chopped parsley.
Wednesday: Potato Jane (sliced potatoes and cheese, baked), carrots, sprouts.
Thursday: Farmhouse pudding (steamed vegetable pudding), potatoes, raw shredded cabbage salad.
Friday: Viennese fish cakes, mashed potatoes, spinach
Saturday: Curried beans, jacket potatoes, raw sprout and beetroot salad.

Second Week

Sunday: Lancashire Hot Pot, potatoes, sprouts.
Monday: Cheese-beans, potatoes, raw cabbage and cooked carrot salad.
Tuesday: Stewed mince and oatmeal, mashed potatoes, cabbage.
Wednesday: Farmhouse Scramble (mixed vegetables, dried egg, cheese, fried), jacket potatoes, watercress.
Thursday: Sausage and bean pie, potatoes, spinach.
Friday: Pilchard pie, mashed potatoes, carrots, sprinkled coarsely chopped parsley.
Saturday: Potato Musaka (potatoes, cheese, carrot, dried egg, baked), swedes and greens.

Recipes for all the above dishes have already been published by the Ministry of Food. If you haven't cut out and kept Food Facts week by week, write to the Ministry of Food, London, W.1, for the recipes.

SAUSAGE & BEAN PIE

Cooking time: ½ an hour. *Ingredients:* 1 lb. sausage, cooked, 1 lb. cooked mixed vegetables, 8 oz. cooked beans, 6 oz. potato pastry, 4 tablespoonfuls brown sauce or stock, salt and pepper. *Quantity:* For four people. *Method:* Place sausages, chopped vegetables and beans in layers in pie-dish, add sauce and season well. Roll out pastry and cover pie. Bake in moderate oven for ½ hour.

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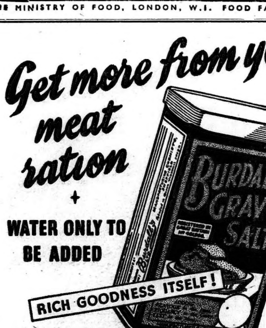

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BROADSTAIRS

Savings.—The sum of £2,123 was invested in national savings in Broadstairs and St. Peter's during the week ended 13th March. It was made up of deposits in the Post Office savings bank £1,114, defence bonds £265, savings certificates £594, and 3 per cent. savings bonds £150.

Police Promotion.—P/S Robert Jayes, of the Kent County Constabulary, who has been stationed at Broadstairs for the past four years, has been promoted to inspector and will shortly be transferred to Faversham. He joined the force in 1928 and was at Herne Bay as detective constable before coming to Broadstairs.

Comrades' Whist.—Winners at the weekly whist drive held by the Broadstairs branch of the Royal Naval Old Comrades' Association at the Clarendon Hotel were Mr. L. Lawrence, Mrs. Bing, L/Cpl. Beckit, Mrs. Ward, Sgt. Watts, Mrs. Whitehead, Mr. H. K. Pallaht and Mr. W. Lawrence, who was M.C. Mrs. G. Partridge distributed the prizes.

Death of Mrs. E. A. Porter.—Mrs. Elizabeth Agnes Porter, widow of the late Mr. W. M. Porter, of Covals, Shutler-road, Broadstairs, has passed away at Ruislip, Middlesex, at the age of 91 years. She was an enthusiastic worker at Holy Trinity Church and had been in charge of the garden there for a number of years. Mrs. Porter left Broadstairs in 1940.

MINSTER.

Cemetery Caretaker.—Mr. P. J. Chittenden, of Ashford, was appointed cemetery caretaker when the annual parish meeting was held at Minster on Tuesday. He will commence his duties on 1st April. Councillor G. M. Morton presided at the meeting, at which the Christmas charity accounts were passed.

Death of Mrs. Anna Smith.—After an illness of many years, Mrs. Anna Jane Walker Smith passed away at St. Agnes, Monkton-road, Minster, on Tuesday, at the age of 71 years. A member of the women's branch of the British Legion and a keen churchworker, Mrs. Smith had been a widow for 15 years. Her husband was chief engineer at Thanet Institution. The funeral took place at Minster cemetery on Saturday.

Comforts Fund.—The sum of £1 16s. was realised for the Minster Comforts Fund at a whist drive held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday. Sixteen tables were in play, Major W. Howard was M.C. and the prizewinners were Mr. T. Allingham, Mr. J. Pain, Miss K. Bexley, Pte. Skiller, Mrs. Ferris, Mr. W. Loveday, Miss Rigby and Mrs. Hammond. A dance held by the Comforts Fund Committee resulted in a profit of £4 12s. 3d., which has been handed to the Thanet Rural District Nursing Association. Don Beerling's band provided the music.

REPORTED MISSING

Only son of Mr. G. H. Emptage and the late Mrs. Emptage, of 9 Salmestone-rise, Margate, Spr. George Emptage, R.E., has been reported missing in North Africa.

He is 25 years of age and joined the Army six months before the outbreak of war. Educated at the Pettman Central School, he was employed as a printer and played football for the Old Centrals.

"In the post-war period, when we have overcome the initial shortages we shall want a steady flow of purchasing power coming from the mass of the people, to keep employment steady and to help in building that higher standard of life which we all desire and which is the due of all who are fighting and working to save the world from Nazism." - Mr. C. R. Attlee, Deputy Premier.

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There is nothing more nourishing for stock than good grass, of course, but we are not gifted with perpetual summer. In war-time we have had to find a winter substitute for summer grass and for imported concentrates as well. Hay, even far better hay than we generally take the trouble to make, does not completely fill the bill. It lacks indispensable protein. We can catch protein, however, by cutting young grass and preserving it as silage, and we can harvest it in leafy winter green crops. Of these, the nearest approach to grass is kale. Take away the water, and the dry substance in kale is much the same as that in grass. Indeed, as a protein factor green kale stands supreme. It is leafier than grass, and it can be encouraged almost unlimitedly by cultivation and liberal manuring.

There are, as we know only too well, many calls on sulphate of ammonia and supplies are not unlimited. But dung is another home source of leaf-producing nitrogen and it supplies phosphate and potash as well, though even dung should be supplemented by a little quick-acting phosphate. Dung also helps to hold the moisture without which kale may fade out at the very start. Indeed, the only real difficulty in growing kale anywhere is to get it going at the beginning.

All animals love kale, including its enemy—the "fly." Our tactics must be directed to securing a fine, moist tilth, and defeat the enemy by a flying start.

"DRY" DANCE
MARGATE MAGISTRATES REFUSE APPLICATION

After opposition had been offered by the Chief Constable (Mr. W. Palmer), Margate magistrates on Wednesday refused an application by Mrs. Webb, of the Crown Hotel, for an occasional license to sell intoxicating liquor in respect of a dance to be held by the N.F.S. at Dreamland Skating Rink.

Mrs. Webb said the dance was in aid of the Prisoners of War Fund and the local N.F.S. Benevolent Fund.

Mr. Palmer said about three dances a week were being held at Dreamland, and if the application was granted it would be the forerunner of other applications.

The Chairman (the Mayor, Councillor F. J. Cornford) announced that the magistrates did not consider a license was necessary.

HOSPITAL EXTENSIONS APPEAL

Ramsgate General Hospital Extensions Appeal Fund was increased by £13 8s. 6d. during February, making a total of £10,787 12s. 7d. to date.

The Appeal Committee wish to thank the following donors: Miss W. H. Johnson and sister, Southbourne, "In gratitude for being kept safe for another year," £1; Mr. H. G. Butcher, "In appreciation of my daughter's quick recovery," £1 1s.; Miss B. M. Eliot, £5; Mrs. W. J. Morley, Hove, £3 3s.; anonymous, 10s.; J.A.F., 2s.

Dividend on 3 per cent. savings bonds amounted to £2 12s. 6d. and £4 18s. 8d. has also been received from Miss Adean Maxted in redemption of a promise already acknowledged.

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25 YEARS AGO
(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

THE WAR OF 1914-18

The naval action off Thanet early on Thursday morning, when two enemy destroyers and two torpedo boats were believed sunk, aroused the residents on the coast from their slumbers. The brisk cannonade that lasted about half an hour rattled windows and shook tiles from roofs and in one house caused a ceiling to collapse. A number of people went to the sea front where, in the distance beyond the Goodwin Sands, occasional bursts of flame could be seen.

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Gnr. S. A. March, of the Kent Territorial R.F.A., of 3 Church-road, Ramsgate, is home on leave from Ireland. He was on the passenger steamer Rathmore, which collided last week with a trawler off the Irish coast, and had a thrilling journey home. The lifeboat into which he got capsized and everyone in the boat fell into the water. Fortunately they were all picked up and taken on board again and eventually a destroyer came to the rescue.

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Cpl. H. Kemp, M.M.P., a member of Ramsgate police force, now on service, is home on leave.

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Sgt. Charles Sutton, soldier, entertainer and Ramsgate Post Office official, sends home to his wife a photograph showing a group of happy British Tommies feeding pigeons in the market square of an Italian city.

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Pte. E. Attriall, writing to his parents at Percy-road, Ramsgate, says he is now convalescent after many weeks in Baghdad Hospital, where he has met Pte. H. Sayer, a Ramsgate Territorial.

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Lt. W. F. G. March, R.F.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. March, of Westgate, is reported through the Geneva International Agency for Prisoners of War to have died. Lt. March is said to have descended with his machine in the enemy lines and was buried at Staden.

50 YEARS AGO
(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

LICENSED VICTUALLERS' DINNER

The 19th annual dinner of the Isle of Thanet Licensed Victuallers' and Beersellers' Protection Association, was held at the Royal Hotel, Ramsgate, on Tuesday. There was so large an attendance that accommodation had to be found in an adjoining room. The Mayor occupied the chair, supported by Mr. G. B. Downs (president), Alderman Rayden, Councillor Gwyn and Messrs. H. S. Watts, F. S. Webb, E. Wotton, M. Tomson, W. G. Page, J. Emery, J. W. Scarlett and A. H. Daniel. A capital dinner was provided and served by Mr. J. J. Roach.

MERIT AWARDS
FOR BROADSTAIRS GARDENERS

As previously announced in the ADVERTISER & ECHO, Broadstairs Council have decided to adopt the Ministry of Agriculture scheme for the award during 1943 of certificates of merit to allotment holders and gardeners.

The object of the scheme is to encourage the production of vegetable crops in a way which will ensure a continuous supply of produce for the household for the greater part of the year, and particularly during the winter and spring months.

Certificates under the signature of the Minister of Agriculture will be provided by the Ministry for award to persons whose skill and management in producing food has reached an approved standard. Provision will be made for an indication to be given on the certificate (e.g. the words "Highly Commended") in the case of entrants who gain a specially high percentage of marks.

In the case of entrants who are cropping a plot for the first time, the Ministry will take into account their lack of experience when allocating certificates.

Only one entry per person is allowed, and the total area of the plot or plots entered by any one person must be not less than five rods and not more than 20 rods.

The judges will examine all plots twice —between mid-June and mid-July and between mid-September and mid-October, according to the locality, and will allot marks to each plot in accordance with a standard scorecard as follows:

The land and its management (37 marks)—cultivation 10, compost heap 5, weed control 8, rotation of crops 10, neatness and finish 4;

Growth, yield and disease control (33 marks)—growth of plants 15, yield of crops 10, cleanliness of crops 8;

Planning to secure food throughout the year, with special emphasis on supplies for the winter and spring months (30 marks)—summer and autumn supplies 10, winter and spring supplies 20.

WAR ON THE SCREEN
FAY BAINTER AT KING'S

Washington in war-time is the setting for a vivid story in "The War Against Mrs. Hadley," which is being shown at the King's Theatre, Ramsgate, to-day and to-morrow.

The film brings Fay Bainter to the screen as the embodiment of many women who, when the war started, refused to be drawn into it until awakened to the truth. She plays a wealthy widow who, despite the changes brought about by war, tries to live her life as usual. Comedy and drama mingle in this human picture, which also stars Edward Arnold, Richard Ney, who played the part of the son in "Mrs. Miniver," and Jean Rogers. Edgar Wallace's famous thriller, "The Four Just Men," featuring Hugh Sinclair and Griffith Jones, is also being shown.

"One Day of War" is the title of an amazing authentic film to be screened for the latter part of the week. Filmed by 160 cameramen on the Russian front and depicting one day's sensational activity, it is one of the most outstanding war films to date. The picture tells a thrilling and poignant story of Russia's great struggle for freedom, and the camera brings us face to face with realities. In the supporting film, "The Panther's Claw," Sidney Blackmer, as Thatcher Colt, the celebrated detective of fiction, is faced with a great murder mystery.

PRISONER BEREAVED

Mrs. Marjorie Martin died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virco, of Grange-road, Margate, four days after receiving news that her husband, Dvr. Horace H. F. Martin, R.A.S.C., was a prisoner of the Japanese in Burma.

She passed away within a week of returning from Margate General Hospital, where she had undergone an operation, and leaves three young children.

Dvr. Martin, who is 25 years old, joined the Army in 1935 and went abroad in December, 1941. He was reported missing in Burma in January, 1942.

RAMSGATE'S NEW VICAR
REV. G. BENNETT'S APPOINTMENT

It was officially announced on Friday that the Rev. George Bennett, Vicar of Sutton Valence, has been appointed Vicar of Ramsgate in succession to the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth.

Mr. Farnsworth leaves Ramsgate early in May to take charge of his new living at St. Luke's, West Norwood.

The new vicar was educated at Emmanuel College and Ridley Hall, Cambridge, gaining his B.A. in 1909 and his M.A. in 1913. Ordained deacon in 1910 and priest in 1911, he was curate of St. Peter's, Tiverton, from 1910 to 1913, when he went to Paris as assistant chaplain to the British Embassy. He retained that appointment until 1921, but remained in the French capital until 1926 as Rector of St. Bartholomew's, Rosario de Santa Fe.

Returning to England, Mr. Bennett was curate of St. Mary the Virgin, Dover, from 1926 to 1929, when he was appointed curate of St. Martin and St. Paul, Canterbury.

He left there in 1931 to take over his present charge.

Mr. Bennett is a married man but there are no children.

GOOD COMPANIONSHIP
CYCLING CLUB'S NEW PRESIDENT

Founded 63 years ago, Ramsgate Cycling and Motoring Club successfully survived one world war and is weathering the storm of the second.

"One of the brightest spots in Ramsgate" was a description of the club given at the annual meeting held under the chairmanship of the president (Mr. P. R. Derry) at club headquarters, Guildford-lawn, on Tuesday.

In his report the hon. secretary (Mr. G. Kemp) stated that the war had had its effect on the previously strong financial position of the club and he urged that they should see to it that their cash reserves were not drawn upon to too great an extent. He understood that during the last war the club experienced similar difficulties and they were looking forward to a big increase in membership when peace returned. During the year seven new members were elected.

On the proposition of Mr. Derry, Mr. L. Rengert (vice-president) was elected president.

Acknowledging the honour, Mr. Rengert said the secret of the success of the club was to be found in the good companionship and good sportsmanship it provided. Owing to the war many members had left the town and it was a fine tribute to the spirit of the club that the majority of them were still supporting it. The club was grateful to them. On the other hand, those who had gone away and intended returning owed a debt to the faithful few who were keeping the club going.

Mr. T. H. White, a member of the club for 30 years, was elected vice-president and other officers elected were: hon. secretary, Mr. Kemp; hon. treasurer, Mr. H. E. Wright; hon. auditors, Messrs. S. A. Ovenden and P. F. Riches.

Messrs. F. Wraight, O. Hughes, G. Mummery, J. B. Sharman and Dr. A. N. Gordon were elected to fill vacancies on the general committee and those elected to the billiards committee were Messrs. T. W. Mockridge, F. S. Wraight, A. S. Harman, G. Mummery, J. B. Sharman, O. Hughes, R. Day, G. Clark, P. F. Riches, J. Wellard, A. W. Bates and Dr. A. N. Gordon.

STARS OF COMEDY
LAUGHTER MAKERS AT ODEON

Four famous laughter-makers dominate this week's programmes at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate.

Heading the bill to-day (Tuesday) and to-morrow is "We'll Smile Again," starring the inimitable Flanagan and Allen. While opening a new British restaurant, Chesney, a famous film star, meets Bud, a strange character somewhat comically dressed in a shabby fur coat and a straw hat. Bud takes on a film job with his new-found friend but in spite of his inexperience discovers that a gang of Nazi spies are at work in the studios, and are plotting to transmit a number of anti-British messages by means of the film to fellow agents all over the world. The situations which develop can well be imagined. "My Heart Belongs to Daddy," with Ralph Carlson and Martha O'Driscoll, is also being shown.

Abbot and Costello, rated as Hollywood's best-liked comedians, are again on the run in "Who Done It?" chief feature for the latter part of the week. The story, a murder mystery, places Bud and Lou in the hazardous profession of amateur detectives; and, in turn, on the wrong end of a tremendous police dragnet. Action of the plot takes place, for the most part, in a vast radio broadcasting station. The supporting film will be "Great Impersonation," starring Ralph Bellamy and Evelyn Ankers.

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POST OFFERED TO MR. S. F. BUTLER

When the amalgamation of police forces in Kent takes place on 1st April the administration of the Civil Defence services is likely to pass from the hands of the police to the local authorities.

In Ramsgate, as in a number of other boroughs, the Civil Defence service has been built round the police service and the Chief Constable (Mr. S. F. Butler) has throughout been A.R.P. Sub-Controller.

Since the post of Chief Constable of Ramsgate will be abolished with the merging of the police forces, the Town Council have been faced with the problem of finding their own A.R.P. Sub-Controller.

It is understood that the Town Council, meeting in committee on Tuesday, approved a recommendation of the Civil Defence Committee that Mr. Butler should be offered the position of A.R.P. Sub-Controller for a period of six months, in the event of him not accepting a position with the new joint police force.

Mr. Butler is an obvious choice for the vacancy for he is a pioneer of A.R.P. That Ramsgate was one of the first towns in the country to take A.R.P. seriously was almost entirely due to Mr. Butler and the members of the police force serving under him became so proficient in their duties that Ramsgate was consulted by the heads of many other forces.

As one of the first towns in England to be heavily blitzed in August, 1940 the A.R.P. organisation was in operation in the early days of raids and proved beyond all doubt that the training and organisation had been based on a firm foundation.

Absence of Crime
WHITE GLOVES FOR MAYOR

There were again no cases for hearing at Margate police court on Wednesday—the third time within the past two months.

Handing the Mayor (Councillor F. J. Cornford), who presided, a pair of white gloves, the Chief Constable (Mr. W. Palmer) said he hoped it would be the forerunner of many similar occasions, but he could not say whether any more white gloves would be available.

"It is a matter for congratulation that in the difficult conditions to-day, and the many temptations which exist, we have no cases of crime," said the Mayor.

A Loyal Servant
IMPERIAL SERVICE MEDAL FOR MARGATE WOMAN

The Imperial Service Medal for long and efficient service has been awarded to Miss Kate Maud Ells, who, following nearly 44 years' service, recently retired from the position of supervisor of telegraphs at Margate Post Office.

The Acting Postmaster (Mr. G. W. Solly), together with representatives of the Post Office staff, visited Miss Ells at her home in Approach-road and handed her the medal.

Miss Ells entered the Post Office at Margate as a learner in 1899. In 1905 she was transferred to Crawley and 13 years later to Herne Bay. She returned to Margate in 1921 as sorting clerk and telegraphist and was appointed supervisor of telegraphs in 1937. As the senior member of the indoor staff she received the Coronation Medal in 1937.

THANET CADET BALL

An enjoyable night is promised at the West Cliff Theatre, Ramsgate, on 7th April, when the first annual ball of the 4th (Thanet) Cadet Batt., The Buffs, is being held

In aid of the battalion's sports fund, the event has been arranged by the officers and N.C.Os.

The dance will begin at 7.30 p.m., concluding at 12.30 a.m. and there is to be a licensed bar. Tickets (3s. each) are obtainable from the Odeon Theatre, West Cliff Theatre and from officers and cadets of the battalion.

IN A BORNEO CAMP

Ldg. Acm. Thomas Kitchingham, of Margate, of whom no news had been received for 14 months, is now known to be a prisoner in Japanese hands at a Borneo camp.

Younger son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Kitchingham, of 6 Millmead-gardens, he is nearly 22 years old and entered the R.A.F. in May, 1939, going to Malaya in the summer of 1941 as a wireless operator-mechanic on the ground staff.

SPRING-TIME AND CLOTHES

The old adage "Ne'er cast a clout till May is out" is more reasonable when it is remembered that this refers, not to the month of May, but to the blossom. The flowers are susceptible to cold, and do not make their appearance until the cold has actually gone. Likewise, warm clothes worn through the winter should never be discarded while there is a chance of a cold snap returning, for there is no surer way of catching a chill.

The bright, cheerful days of spring will soon be here, and you have probably been saving your coupons so that you will be able to have a new suit, coat or dress to herald this long-awaited season. You want to be sure, however, that you are spending your coupons wisely, and that you are buying the best. And here a word of advice. If you insist upon buying clothes bearing the "Hershelle Model" label you will be assured of entire satisfaction, for this name is the hall-mark of quality clothing. Whatever your figure, there will be a charming ensemble to enhance it.

A distinctive two-piece—dress and jacket —in turquoise blue fine woollen material which I saw recently was most attractive. The dress had short sleeves and a high neckline, the bodice and sleeve edges being constructed with a scalloped effect, which matched the jacket, also constructed with scalloping, a yoke effect being very skilfully introduced. This two-piece would be most becoming for a bride, or would make a delightfully "dressy" addition to the wardrobe.

Whether it is a suit, coat or dress, decide on a Hershelle Model; money cannot buy better.

The Railways took it in their Stride

"THE preparations (for the North African expedition) were begun as long ago as last March . . . As an indication of the magnitude of what we had to do . . . 185,000 men, 20,000 vehicles, and 220,000 tons of stores had all to be moved in a period of about three weeks from billets and depots to ports.

This meant running 440 special troop trains, 680 special freight trains and 15,000 railway wagons by ordinary goods services . . .

The almost complete surprise achieved in an operation of this magnitude is unbelievable and reflects the greatest credit on all concerned."

RT. HON. SIR JAMES GRIGG, K.C.B., K.C.S.I., Secretary of State for War, in the House of Commons.

BRITISH RAILWAYS
RAILWAY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FOOD FRONT

CARRIED MEALS

A great many people work off the beaten track nowadays and have to take their meals with them.

The housewife who has packed lunches to prepare finds it an excellent plan to have a good supply of potato splits or scones in hand to use as a basis for these meals. Here is the recipe for them which can be varied according to taste.

Potato Splits.

- 6ozs. of flour
- 4ozs. of mashed potato
- 1oz. of lard or cooking fat
- 1 level tablespoonful of household milk
- ½ teaspoonful each of baking powder and salt

Mix together the flour, milk powder, baking powder and salt. Rub in first the fat and then the potato. Use a little water to make a soft dough. Roll out on a floured board to a thickness of ½-¾in. Put the scones on a lightly greased baking tray and bake in a hot oven for 15 minutes.

Two points to remember are—a **soft** dough and a **hot** oven.

Two or three tablespoonsful of grated cheese and a pinch of pepper may be added, or, when supplies permit, a dessertspoonful of sugar or a spoonful of chopped dried fruit.

Many people like a slightly sweetened scone to eat with cheese.

Suggested Fillings for Splits.

A little mashed pink salmon with water cress, or mustard and cress and chopped beetroot.

A small quantity of finely minced meat, flavoured with a mere trace of spring onion, bound with a tablespoonful of a piquante sauce, and mixed with finely shredded fresh crunchy savoy.

Lightly scrambled egg (made with dried egg, of course) and cress.

Thinly sliced cheese with watercress and beetroot, or chopped pickle or chutney.

Thin slices of cooked sausage, galantine or any kind of tinned meat, with mustard and cress or salad in season.

When sweetened, the splits form a sweet course with jam, stewed fruit drained from juice, thick boiled custard with a little syrup or jam added.

When making sweet splits with these rather runny fillings, it is a good plan to hollow out a little of the scone in the centre and fill the hollow, putting back the piece, rather than to slice and spread with the filling.

Bean Rissoles.

Now here is something hearty and very savoury, with which a carton of fresh salad may be carried. All kinds of salads go well with these rissoles, shredded cabbage, savoy and spinach, lettuce, tomatoes in season, cress and, of course, potato salad.

- 6ozs. of cooked haricot beans
- 1oz. of breadcrumbs
- 1½ozs. of flour
- 1 small leek or onion
- 1 tablespoonful of chopped parsley
- 1oz. of margarine
- A little milk to bind
- Salt and pepper
- Dripping for frying

Mix all the dry ingredients together, add the melted margarine, stir well together, pour in enough milk to make a stiff mixture. Shape into rounds. Roll in breadcrumbs or flour and fry in hot fat until brown.

It is a good plan to make double quantities and serve some hot with brown gravy and vegetables for supper or lunch.

PRISONER IN JAVA

Acm. Ronald Phillips, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Phillips, of 43 Northdown-road, Margate, who has been missing for 14 months, has now been reported a prisoner of the Japanese in Java.

Twenty years old, he joined the Royal Air Force at the age of 15. He was an old boy of Holy Trinity and Pettman Central Schools. Before joining the service he was a butcher's assistant.

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COAL SUPPLIES DURING JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH

AMENDMENT OF RESTRICTIONS FOR MARCH

To all Occupiers of premises controlled under the Fuel and Lighting Registration and Distribution Order, 1943 (except Hospitals and Schools)

1. **COAL** (other than those grades specified in 2, 3 and 4).
   Supplies to any controlled premises may not without licence from the Local Fuel Overseer exceed **15 cwt.** during the three months, and no supplies may be acquired at any premises while the stock exceeds **10 cwt.**
2. **COKE of sizes not exceeding 1in., Anthracite and Welsh dry steam coal of sizes not exceeding 1½in., and all manufactured fuels.**
   Supplies to any controlled premises of fuels in this group may not without licence exceed in all **1 ton** during the month of March and no supplies may be acquired at any premises while the total stock of fuels exceeds **2 tons.**
3. **COKE of sizes exceeding 1in., and Anthracite and Welsh dry steam coal of sizes exceeding 1½in.**
   Fuels in this group may be obtained without restriction during the month of March.
4. **COKE BREEZE, Anthracite Duff, Washery Slurry and Bituminous fines not exceeding one-eighth of an inch.**
   Fuels in this group are also exempt from restriction.

The object of the relaxations is to encourage the use of large coke and anthracite in substitution for house coal and to take advantage of the present favourable conditions to permit the resumption of stocking of all sizes of coke and anthracite against future requirements. Consumers who have difficulty in obtaining supplies of coke are requested to notify their Local Fuel Overseer immediately. They are reminded, however, that the necessity for the greatest possible economy in the actual consumption of all fuels remains paramount.

Except under a licence from the Local Fuel Overseer, it is an offence against the Defence Regulations to exceed the quantities specified in groups 1 and 2, or to acquire any of the fuels specified from anyone other than the licensed merchant or coke producer with whom the premises have been duly registered.

Consumers are reminded that the quantities specified in groups 1 and 2 are maximum quantities and not rations to which they are entitled. The quantity of any fuel that can be delivered to any premises will depend on the state of local supply, and is everywhere subject to priority being given to the needs of consumers without stocking facilities.

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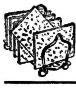

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On Service

NEWS OF THANET MEN & WOMEN

P/C C. T. Smith, of Ramsgate police force, is "off the beat," but he's doing another important job of work as a gunner in the Royal Artillery. C/I H. G. Butcher has just received an interesting letter from him in which he mentions meeting, on board ship, ex-W/R Nixon, of Ramsgate, who is a member of the crew. "I discovered him on a certain night when I was detailed to fetch cocoa for the men on gun manning," he says. "Perhaps I need hardly say that for the rest of that night we were well supplied with that beverage. Mr. Nixon told me that this was his second trip since he left Ramsgate and on the first he was unlucky to be torpedoed. Fortunately he escaped injury and his colleagues will be pleased to hear of his continued safe keeping.

"Another fellow I have met is a police constable at Luton in civilian life and his home is at 35 Margate-road, Ramsgate. He knows D/C Hopper very well and wishes to be remembered to him. There are several more police officers in this draft and no doubt by the time we reach port there will be quite a goodly crowd of us linked up."

Gnr. Smith says the activities on board are limited to daily P.T. and deck games interspersed with lectures while, after dark, the chief pastime below deck is the authorised gamble of "housey-housey." "As soon as supper is cleared," he says, "the lower regions take on the appearance of a common gaming house. The various promoters soon have plenty of participants and the decks resound with such cries as 'top of the shop-blind ninety'."

He finds sleeping in a hammock an experience on its own and doesn't think he will ever get used to it. Sending his best wishes to his police colleagues, Gnr. Smith concludes "Those of us who are away from home are more than ever eager to get to grips with the enemy and to polish this job off. Unless I am mistaken we have not very long to wait for a resumption of our normal lives."

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At the recent annual meeting of the Isle of Thanet Building Society a director mentioned that ten of the staff were now on active service. One of them is Ldg. Acm. Charles Britten, R.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Britten, of 168 Grange-road, Ramsgate, who volunteered in August, 1941, and has been in India for seven months.

An old St. Georgian and a member of St. George's Young Men's Association, Charlie sailed on his 21st birthday last April, and although he is getting used to India, he still prefers the English climate. In one letter he says he no longer regards with amazement the sacred cows roaming up and down the public thoroughfare, "although it's not at all nice to meet them in the dark." He would welcome the sight of some snow for although it is still winter out there the sun gets very warm about midday. In fact, he has been doing a lot of sunbathing and in two or three days found himself more scorched than after a fortnight's holiday in England.

At home Ldg. Acm. Britten was a keen cyclist and he has been riding in India. "I get quite a bit of exercise on my cycle—that is when the tyres aren't punctured," he writes. "The main difficulty is the condition of the roads. At least I call them roads, but that is rather flattering them. Most of them are solely tracks and of course don't help the enthusiastic cyclist."

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Irene Miller, daughter of Mrs. Miller, of 7 Salisbury-avenue, Ramsgate, whose photograph we published recently, has been promoted to the rank of sergeant in the A.T.S. She received her third stripe about a month ago but kept the news as a surprise for her mother when she came home on leave last week.

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A well-known player for St. Luke's F.C., Sgt. Victor Denne, R.A., of 47 Alexandra-road, Ramsgate, is now home on leave from the Orkney Islands, where he has been stationed for the past two years. A Territorial before the war, Sgt. Denne is 26 years old and in civilian life was employed as a printer. He is an old boy of Holy Trinity and Ellington Schools and in addition to his efficiency as a footballer was a "hot" table-tennis player at St. Luke's Club. His brother Jack is a driver in the R.A.S.C., which he joined 11 weeks ago.

You like to have news from your sons and daughters in the forces—so do we. We invite you to pass on their stories to us so that their friends may know how they are getting along.

From North Africa Gordon Clayton, an old boy of St. George's Central School, Ramsgate, who is serving with the Royal Corps of Signals, writes of the splendid spirit which exists between the Americans and the British out there. A son of Mr. and Mrs. George Clayton, of 11 Marlborough-road, Ramsgate, Gordon held the junior and senior sports championship records while at St. George's and until entering the Army was a counter clerk at Ramsgate Post Office. His brother George, also an old St. Georgian, is engaged on war work.

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A member of the Ramsgate Flight of the Thanet Squadron Air Training Corps, Bill Austin, of 5 Clifton-road, Ramsgate, is to enter the Royal Air Force on 5th April. Bill is well-known locally as an entertainer and gave some clever impersonations as guest artiste at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, on Friday.

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Spending ten days' leave 7,000ft. up in the Himalayas, Gnr. S. J. Morrell, R.A., of Cecilia-road, Ramsgate, has been entertained by some people who formerly lived in St. Andrew's-road, Ramsgate. "At the place we stayed," he writes, "we could see Mount Everest and the snow on Kinchinjunga." Gnr. Morrell was formerly a slot meter collector for the Ramsgate Corporation Gas and Water Department and his wife is serving in the W.A.A.F. as a cook.

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Acm. B. J. Denham, R.A.F., of Westfield-road, Margate, has met an old angling friend, Arthur Baldock, at a services canteen in India.

Sgt. Alfred Thomas Dines, R.A., of 43 Boundary-road, Ramsgate, who is serving in North Africa with an anti-aircraft unit, has found that old petrol cans have more than a few uses.

Writing to his mother he says "I am sitting on the edge of my home-made bed. I spent the entire morning yesterday making it out of odd bits of wood and petrol cans and so far it has stood up to the strain successfully. We use petrol cans to build walls, make beds, and cut them up to convert into jugs, basins and dozens of other things. They always say necessity is the mother of invention."

After leaving Ellington School, Alf, who is 25 years old, worked in the offices of Ramsgate Corporation Gas and Water Department and he left for service in the Army shortly after the war broke out. Fighting with the B.E.F. in France, he was wounded during the evacuation of Dunkirk. He fully recovered after spending six months in hospital.

Alf, who recently gained his third stripe, is well-known among Ramsgate's angling fraternity.

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Serving in North Africa, Sgt. C. P. Flowerdew, R.A.M.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Flowerdew, has met Douglas Mann, a fellow Old Ruymian. Douglas is a brother of Lt. Norman Mann, R.N.V.R., who has twice been mentioned in despatches.

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Son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Beevers, of 24 Stone-road, Broadstairs, Lt. Thomas Beevers, The Buffs, is reported to have been wounded while serving with a paratroop unit in North Africa. He is progressing favourably.

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Spr. William Holton, R.E., of 16 Helena-avenue, Margate, is now back with his unit after spending nearly six weeks in a military hospital. His brother Len, serving with the Army in India, has also been in hospital.

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Three sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. Sanford, formerly of Ramsgate-road, Margate, now living at Bingley, Yorks, are in the forces. William is with the Duke of Wellington's Regiment, Charles is in The Buffs and John in the Home Guard. During the last war the father served with the Queen's Royal Regiment.

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Elder brother of Ldg. Acm. Thomas Kitchingham, who is a prisoner in Borneo, Ldg. Acm. George Kitchingham, of 6 Millmead-gardens, Margate, is serving with the R.A.F. in South Africa, where he plays a saxophone in the station dance band. George entered the service in July, 1939, and prior to that he and Tom were members of St. Paul's Rover Scout Crew.

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Badly burnt about the face and hands when the destroyer Partridge was sunk while escorting a Malta convoy, A/B William Alfred Pettman, R.N., only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. O. Pettman, of 245 College-road, Margate, has made a good recovery and been home on leave. William was in the sea for three-quarters of an hour before the rescue ship picked him up and took him to North Africa. On board that vessel he met an old school chum, A/B Stanley Pearce, whose home is in Grange-road, Margate.

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An Old Ruymian, Sig. Stanley Black, R.N., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Black of The Parade, Margate, has passed his examination for leading signalman. After being in the Mediterranean theatre of war he has returned to home waters.

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Reported missing over a year ago, Gnr. Harry Impett, R.A., formerly of 36 St. Benet's-road, Westgate, has been reported a prisoner in Borneo. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Impett, of 63 Milton-road, Margate, and his wife lives with her parents at 19 Clifton-street, Margate. Harry at one time played football for Margate Sea Cadets and was employed as a plasterer before joining the Army nearly three years ago.

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When his ship put in at Durban, 2nd-Eng. Off. Raynor Lawrence, of the Merchant Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Lawrence, of Addiscombe-gardens, Margate, was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. Cutney, who formerly lived in Margate. Mr. Cutney is employed in Durban by Imperial Airways and his wife was formerly Miss Gladys Martey, of Addiscombe-gardens, Margate. Eng. Off. Lawrence, who joined the Merchant Navy five years ago, has a sister, Cicely, serving in the A.T.S.

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Son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Campany, of Trenance, Argyle-avenue, Margate, Ldg. Acm. Eric Campany, R.A.F.-V.R., is training in Canada for air crew duties. Nineteen years old, he is an old boy of the Pettman Central School.

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CYCLES THROWN OVER CLIFF

RAMSGATE BOYS IN TROUBLE

Following a dance at the West Cliff Theatre, Ramsgate, on 29th January, it was reported that two bicycles had been stolen. Later the police recovered the cycles, extensively damaged, from the foreshore at the East Cliff.

There was a sequel at Ramsgate police court on Monday, when Ronald Ernest Nairne, aged 18, laundry worker, of Muir-road, and Robert George Kenneth Turner, aged 16, of Hereson-road, were summoned for stealing and carrying away from the West Cliff Theatre the two cycles, together to the value of £7 6s., the property of Patrick Simmonds and the Air Ministry respectively.

Both boys pleaded guilty, Nairne being represented by Mr. G. H. Edwards.

D/C Hopper said that at 12.30 a.m. on 30th January he was at the West Cliff Theatre when he received a complaint that two cycles had been stolen from the forecourt. On Monday, 1st February, two cycles answering the description of those stolen were recovered from the eastern foreshore. They were both badly damaged. The following day witness saw the defendants and they denied all knowledge of the offence. Turner later said "I threw one of them over the cliff," and Nairne said "I pinched the R.A.F. bike and Bob threw it over the cliff." Turner handed him a bicycle pump and a rear lamp saying "These came from the 'civi' bike."

Heard Them Bounce.

The officer read a statement made by Nairne in which he said that on the evening of 29th January he, Turner and another boy went to the West Cliff Theatre after visiting a cafe for a cup of tea. Turner went down the slope and came back with a bicycle and then went down again and returned with the R.A.F. cycle. Turner gave him the R.A.F. cycle and they rode off. They rode to the other cliff and Turner said he was going to throw the cycles over the cliff. He heard the cycles bounce on the promenade or railings below.

Turner also made a statement, continued the officer, in which he said he took the civilian bicycle and Nairne took the R.A.F. bike. He took off the lamp and pump and threw the cycle over the cliff, and Nairne removed the lamps and threw the R.A.F. cycle over the cliff.

Turner told the magistrates that he threw only one cycle over the cliff.

Mr. Edwards said Nairne's father died when he was a baby and since that time his elder brother had acted more as a father to him. The elder brother joined the Army and had been posted as missing in Java. The influence of the elder brother had been removed. Nairne had got into bad company but promised he would break with his companions. He was a corporal in the Cadet Training Corps and also had two allotments which he worked entirely on his own. When his brother was reported missing he was extremely anxious to join the Army but he was turned down, being placed Grade Four. It was a great disappointment to him as he wanted to carry on the family tradition.

Powder and Soap.

Mr. Edwards said Nairne asked that a further case should be taken into consideration. Together with another boy (not Turner) he got into some trouble at the Co-operative Society's premises. Some felt covering the window was pulled away but he understood that Nairne did not take anything. He was willing to make restitution in respect of the cycle.

C/I Butcher said Nairne had admitted being concerned with another boy in stealing three boxes of face powder and three tablets of soap, together to the value of 7s. 3d., the property of the Co-operative Society. The boy had never previously been in trouble. It appeared that he had recently got into bad company.

The chief inspector said that Turner would be appearing before the juvenile court in connection with another offence so he did not propose to say anything further about him at that stage.

The Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) said in the case of Turner the decision of the magistrates would be suspended until he appeared before the juvenile court. Nairne would be placed on probation for two years, a condition being that he did not associate with the Turner family, that he should pay 35s., being the extent of the damage to the R.A.F. cycle, and 15s. costs. He would be allowed three months in which to pay.

RAMSGATE

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Business Transfer.—As announced in our advertisement columns, Mr. A. Baker, of 24 Grange-road, Ramsgate, has, owing to ill-health, disposed of his business to the Faversham and Thanet Co-operative Society Ltd. Existing staff is being retained and registered customers are assured of the services they have received in the past.

War Libraries Whist.—In aid of the Royal Naval War Libraries, a whist drive is being held at the British Legion Club, Cliff-street, Ramsgate, on Thursday, 8th April, commencing at 6 p.m. Score-cards (1s. 6d. each) are obtainable from Mrs. Tucker (stewardess) at the club, or Mrs. M. J. McDonald, 2 West Cliff-villas, West Cliff-road, Ramsgate, by whom gifts of prizes will be gratefully received.

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MARGATE'S GOOD START

S.E. REGION CIVIL DEFENCE COMPETITION

Margate, last year's winners, defeated teams from Ramsgate and Broadstairs in the preliminary round of the South-Eastern Region Civil Defence competition at Canterbury on Friday.

Ramsgate and Broadstairs were up against tough opposition but put up a very good show.

The competition was an exercise for rescue, first-aid and ambulance teams and a house which had actually been damaged by a bomb provided a realistic setting.

Margate's winning team was: first-aid and rescue party, R. Webzell (leader), G. Seeley (deputy leader), W. Hyde, G. Head, C. Nunn; first-aid post, Sister Griffin, Mrs. Atkins, Miss Enderby, Miss N. Doughty, Mrs. Haines, Mrs. Petley, S. Griffiths (orderly); ambulance, T. Jones (driver), Mrs. Phillips (attendant).

Ramsgate was represented as follows: composite party, G. Goodbourn (leader), G. Carr (deputy leader), B. Andrews, J. Taiban, C. Andrews, E. Brockman, W. Attwell; first-aid post, Mrs. N. Henshaw, Miss M. Andrewes, Miss J. Andrewes, Mrs. N. Digweed, Mrs. M. Hope, Mrs. M. Barclay, Mrs. L. Goldsmith and Miss J. Lofty; ambulance party, Miss M. Love and Miss M. Penney.

The Broadstairs team was as follows: composite party No. 2, F. Taft (leader), A. Baker (driver), F. C. Beach, P. T. Wood, J. Taylor, A. Lawrence and J. Pettitt; ambulance, Miss B. Bridges (driver), Miss G. Light (attendant); first-aid post unit, Sister C. L. Thompson (trained nurse), Mrs. N. White, Miss L. Smith, Miss N. Norris, Mrs. L. Roberts, Mrs. C. K. Shaw, Mrs. C. M. Knowles and Mr. A. Fagg.

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Prizes are being offered in each of the towns and the winning models will then again go before the judges for a special all-Thanet award.

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BIRTHS

Barrett.—19th March, at Pembury Hospital, to Bessie (née Stocker), wife of L. Barrett, of Ramsgate, a son.

DEATHS

Finch.—11th March, at Banbury, Amelia Finch, late of High-street, St. Lawrence, in her 72nd year. Cremated at Oxford.

Laxton.—14th March, at Shirley, Ramsgate-road, Margate, Minnie Gertrude Laxton, aged 30 years.

Martin.—15th March, at 48 Grange-road, Margate, Marjorie Martin, aged 22 years.

Tyrrell.—14th March, at 56 Tivoli-road, Margate, William Labon Tyrrell.

Wilson.—14th March, in her sleep, at her son's residence, Chatham, Ann Susannah Wilson, late of 25 Albert-street, Ramsgate, aged 91 years.

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